

the Garfield-Arthur Administration. I know this most positively, because these gentlemen consulted with me. They felt that a general supervision on the part of an independent cleric, having no diocesan administration, would be a benefit to a pure church spirit, and prevent ecclesiastical superiors from being too partisan and tyrannical by virtue of their local power and prominence. The effort did not succeed under the Garfield-Arthur Administration. The attempt was renewed under Mr. Cleveland's first Administration. It failed because the bishops were opposed to it, and the opposition was made strong for the simple reason that many of them feared the curtailment of their tyrannical use of power.

A CHURCH WITH A NATIONAL DIGNITY.

I remember very well a remark made by a very distinguished ecclesiastical person at that time. "They want to make places," he said, "in this country for their Italian deputies. We do not want them here." I was simple and inexperienced enough at that time to believe that this person was telling me the truth. I now know that it was not the truth, and this was said to mislead and deceive me. It is the most natural thing in the world that we should have an Apostolic Delegation permanently established in this vast Republic. We are developing out of a missionary state into a church with a national dignity. The late National Council of Baltimore decreed that a certain number of permanent rectors should be established in the various dioceses of the United States. The object of this decree was to make of these permanent rectors a sort of chaplains, who would have some influence in the election of the bishops of the various dioceses. These permanent rectors would become the centers of the diocesan life.

THE HOLY FATHER SEES TO BRING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES INTO A POSITION OF EQUAL DIGNITY WITH THE OTHER CHURCHES.

There is a nuncio at Paris, at Brussels, at Madrid, at Lisbon and at other places. These nuncios are in direct communication with the Holy Father. The Holy Father sees to it that the Catholic Church in the United States is in a position of equal dignity with the other churches. He sees to it that the Catholic Church in the United States is in a position of equal dignity with the other churches. He sees to it that the Catholic Church in the United States is in a position of equal dignity with the other churches.

HE COMES AS A SPIRITUAL NUNCI.

Archbishop Satolli, as Apostolic Delegate, is a spiritual nuncio to the bishops of the Catholic Church and the Catholic people of the United States. He is not an accredited envoy of the Holy Father to our Government, for our Government cannot recognize any religion under our Constitution, or any representative of a spiritual potentate. Mr. Harrison's Administration and Mr. Cleveland's Administration, however, have extended to Monsignor Satolli the courtesy due one who is the religious representative of more than 800,000,000 Americans. Indeed, Monsignor Satolli, to speak pleasantly, has been very much more courteous to the Apostolic Delegate than many of the other high time that some public meeting or public form of protest be set on foot against their recurrence of disrespectful attacks upon the Holy Father's representative in the United States.

CROPS DYING FROM DROUGHT.

THE LONG ABSENCE OF RAIN INFLECTING GREAT LOSS UPON THE FARMERS OF THE STATE.

Kingsport, N. Y., Aug. 11 (Special).—Drought along the Hudson is hourly becoming more serious, and unless copious rains come soon all crops will be destroyed. Corn and potatoes are already past help, meadows and pastures are dead, fruit of all kinds is dropping from the trees, and milk and butter are becoming scarce. The backwater crop will be a failure without rain. In this city there is a scarcity in the water supply. The Sewerage Board has never before been so busy. The Council has tonight passed a proposition to build a new system of waterworks.

WHY THEY BELIEVE MEREDITH INSANE.

WITNESSES FOR THE ASYLUM TESTIFY AT THE HEARING IN PORT JEFFERSON.

Poughkeepsie, Aug. 11 (Special).—Assistant District Attorney Battle opened the Asylum's side of the Meredith case before Judge Barnard today. He called Meredith to the stand, handed him a printed list of drugs, among which appeared the names "strychnine" and "arsenic." Meredith, who had been among his papers, "No," said Mr. Battle, "it was found on your person."

THE EVIDENCE AGAINST MRS. SHANN.

SHE SEEMS TO REALIZE IT, BUT BEARS UP WELL.—COUNTRY PHYSICIAN CANTWELL TESTIFIES.

Trenton, N. J., Aug. 11 (Special).—The fourth day of the trial of Mrs. Mattie C. Shann opened this morning at 9:15. The prisoner entered the courtroom, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Kelly, Miss Updike and Mrs. Gray. For one who suffers as much as Mrs. Shann does, she bears up well. She looks pale and thin, but her eyes are bright and clear. She has been in the Asylum for some time, and she seems to realize that it was strongly against her.

THE HOUSE GETS TO WORK.

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